

RESOLUTION NUMBER R- 292991

ADOPTED ON APR 17 2000

WHEREAS, April 22, 2000 will be the 30th annual celebration of Earth Day, and many events are held during the month of April to promote environmental awareness; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day began in 1970 as a long-term endeavor to build a planet that would be clean, healthy, prosperous and sustainable; and

WHEREAS, in The City of San Diego more than 100,000 people participate in Earth Day events and activities each year; and

WHEREAS, local governments can and must make major contributions to solving our environmental and natural resource problems through land use, transportation, solid waste, wastewater treatment, and zoning and fiscal decisions that shape our environment; and

WHEREAS, local governments currently operate numerous ride-sharing, recycling, energy and water conservation, and hazardous waste programs that depend on widespread understanding and participation in order to be successful; and

WHEREAS, it is time for everyone to increase their understanding of the importance for participating in these programs and in general respect for all our natural resources; and

WHEREAS, Earth Day will reach beyond existing environmental constituencies to involve the broadest possible cross-section of society including business, media, religious, political, youth, academic and cultural leaders; NOW, THEREFORE,

BE IT RESOLVED, by the Council of The City of San Diego, that April 17, 2000, is hereby proclaimed to be "**EARTH DAY**" in The City of San Diego, and urges all citizens to

make the connections to their actions today that will shape our world in the future by
volunteering for, or attending the Earth Fair in Balboa Park on Sunday April 16, 2000, or
volunteering for any number of projects that deserve our support.

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